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SELFISHNESS MELTED AWAY!"**

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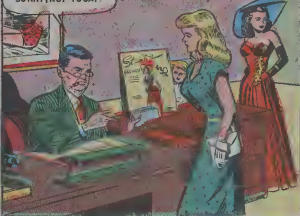


Ever since I was old enough to be aware of such things, I had known that mine were no ordinary face and figure!



That was what I thought! But when it came to getting a job there were people with other ideas!

SURE, YOU HAVE A GOOD FIGURE BUT WE HAVE APPLICATIONS FOR JOBS FROM SEVENTY-FIVE MODELS WITH FIGURES JUST AS GOOD! SORRY, NOT TODAY!



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SORRY, HONEY, THERE ISN'T A SINGLE CHORUS LINE I COULD GET YOU INTO RIGHT NOW... BUT DON'T THINK IT'S BECAUSE YOU AIN'T CUTE ENOUGH! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TONIGHT?

LOOKING OVER THE WANT ADS SOME MORE! GOODBYE!



PRETTY RECEPTIONISTS? YES, WE PLACE THEM ALL THE TIME... BUT THEY MUST ALSO HAVE PLEASING TELEPHONE VOICES AND MOST EMPLOYERS INSIST THAT THEY KNOW HOW TO TYPE!

I SEE!

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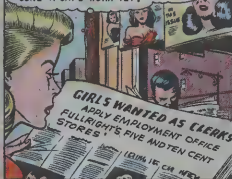
Obviously none of them knew a good thing when they saw it!

BOORS AND WRETCHES! GIVEN HALF A BREAK I WOULDN'T EVEN STOOP TO TALK TO PEOPLE LIKE THAT!



... but after awhile a girl's heels run down, and there's such a thing as overdoing a diet... especially when it's enforced!

GUESS I'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT! I'VE BEEN OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL FOUR MONTHS, I'M EIGHTEEN AND A HALF YEARS OLD AND I HAVEN'T DONE A DAY'S WORK YET!



Fate plays odd tricks... far when I finally did get a job it was no better than the one given to the fat girl in front of me or the tall, skinny one with glasses who stood behind me!

THE THREE OF YOU WILL REPORT TO OUR WALNUT STREET STORE AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE TOMORROW MORNING!

YES, SIR!



But the fact that I had to work in the five and ten didn't mean that I was going to lose sight of my true worth...

NOT A BAD JOB, IS IT, VERA?

IT MAY SUIT YOU, MY DEAR! BUT I THINK IT'S HORRIBLE!



VERA, THE GIRLS ARE ALL GOING OUT TOGETHER TOMORROW NIGHT! WANT TO COME WITH US?

TO A MOVIE AND A CHEAP CHOW MEIN OVE? NO, THANKS!



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It wasn't long before I knew that the girls were calling me "the princess"!

The days went by! I did my job well enough... but I was bored and dissatisfied!

CURTSEY, GIRLS? HERE COMES THE PRINCESS?

THOSE MICE AND THEIR SARCASTIC! IT SO HAPPENS THAT COMPARED TO THEM A PRINCESS IS JUST WHAT I AM!

HUMPH! THE GIRLS IN A PLAGE LIKE THIS WILL GO FOR ANYTHING SO LONG AS IT'S A MALE!



GHEAP LITTLE NOODLUMS!

CAN YOU BEAT THAT OAME? SHE'S TRYING TO TELL ME A PRETTY CHICK LIKE YOU HAS NO USE FOR MEN!

SHE'S COMPLETELY WRONG! I FIND SOME OF THEM VERY INTERESTING... BUT NOT YOUR TYPE, I ASSURE YOU!



HUH? PRETTY SNOOTY, AIN'T YOU? WHAT ARE YOU, A PRINCESS OR SUMP'N?

IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A PURCHASE, PLEASE DO IT AND LEAVE! I'M NOT PAID TO MAKE LOW CONVERSATION WITH JUST ANYBODY!



MY GOODNESS, VERA, MAYBE IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS, BUT YOU'LL NEVER GET A OATE IF YOU TALK TO BOYS THAT WAY! AND IF A GIRL DOESN'T GET OATES, HOW'S SHE EVER GOING TO FIND SOMEBODY TO MARRY?

AS YOU SAY, IT IS NONE OF MY BUSINESS, BUT IT SO HAPPENS THAT I DON'T INTEND TO PICK A HUSBAND FROM AMONG THE PENNILESS NINGOMPOOPS WHO ORIFT IN HERE!

GOSH, TO LISTEN TO YOU, YOU'D THINK YOU WERE GOING TO MARRY A MILLIONAIRE!

ENOUGH MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF ME IN THE STYLE I DESERVE WILL BE ONE OF THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE MAN I MARRY BUT HE WILL ALSO HAVE TO BE ATTRACTIVE AND CIVILIZED!

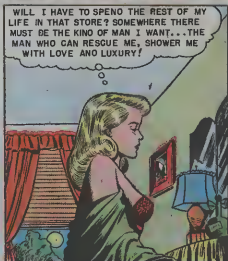


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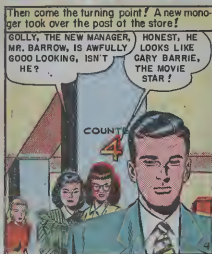
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I was lonely, too... but rather than compromise with what I thought was not good enough for me, I preferred to stay lonely!



However, alone at home at night it was different! With nobody to watch me, I could give vent to my true longings and despair!





AS YOU WISH!



OF ALL THE WACKY SNOBS!

When Bill Barrow had gone, I felt a momentary twinge of regret... but I decided to ignore it!

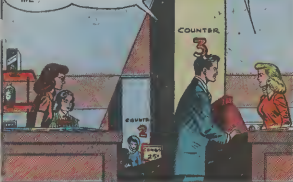
I MUSTN'T BE A FOOL! OF COURSE HE'S GOOD-LOOKING AND PLEASANT BUT WHAT CAN AN EIGHTY DOLLAR A WEEK STORE MANAGER DO FOR ME THAT'LL MAKE ME ANY BETTER OFF THAN I AM NOW?



But, though I gave him scant encouragement, Bill Barrow persisted!

VERA, I HAVE A COUPLE OF TICKETS FOR THE ELKS' DANCE WEDNESDAY NIGHT! WOULD YOU COME WITH ME?

I'M SORRY! I HAVE A PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT!



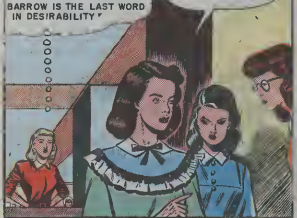
MIG AWSH, DID YOU HEAR WHAT I HEARD? HE ACTUALLY ASKED HER FOR A DATE AND SHE TURNED HIM DOWN!

AND I'D GIVE MY RIGHT ARM IF HE'D JUST SMILE AT ME!



THE CATS ARE REALLY HAVING THEMSELVES A TIME OVER THIS! TO THEM BILL BARROW IS THE LAST WORD IN DESIRABILITY!

IF YOU ASK ME THAT VERA NEEDS SOME TAKING DOWN!



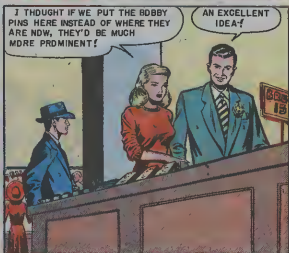
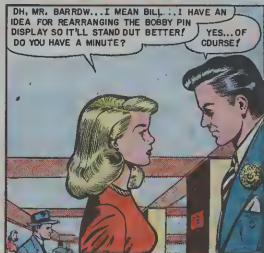
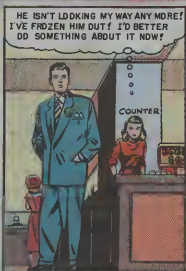
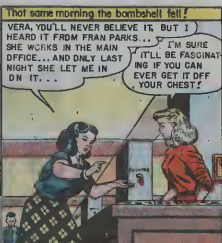
That night, an emotion I had never known before troubled me!

BILL IS SO GOOD-LOOKING THAT WHEN HE LOOKS AT ME, IT'S HARD TO REMEMBER THAT I MUSTN'T BE TRAPPED INTO A LIFE OF MEDIOCRITY AND DOING WITHOUT THE THINGS I WANT!



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By morning I had recaptured my determination to make no compromise! I would have what I wanted or I would have nothing!

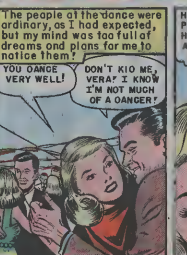


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My heart sang with delight as I realized that I wasn't too late! When Wednesday night came around I was at my radiant best!

HOW SILLY OF OLD MAN FULLRIGHT TO MAKE BILL WORK HIS WAY UP FROM THE BOTTOM... AND EVEN GOING SO FAR AS TO GIVE HIM ANOTHER NAME SO HE WON'T GET ANY SPECIAL PRIVILEGES!



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Bill's suggestion suited my plans!
It was time we were alone together!

AGGODOO IDEA! IT'S WE CAN GO OUT
GETTING VERY ON THE VERAN-
OAH!



As I felt the pressure of Bill's
arms around me and tasted the
sweetness of his kisses on my
lips, I forgot momentarily all
the calculating and selfish ideas that had
motivated me!



It was dark and cool on the verandah!

VERA, THERE'S SOME-
THING I WANT TO TELL
YOU! I'VE WANTED
YOU TO KNOW IT SINCE
I FIRST CAME TO THE
STORE BUT I WAS A
LITTLE AFRAID!

THERE'S NOTHING TO
BE AFRAID OF WITH
ME, BILL!

HERE IT COMES...
THE CONFESSION
THAT HE'S BILL
FULLRIGHT AND
THAT HE LOVES
ME!



I LOVE YOU,
VERA!

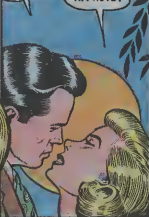
AND I LOVE
YOU, BILL!

SO HE'S STILL GOING
TO HOLO OUT WITH THE
OTHER PART OF THE
CONFESSION! WELL, I
CAN WAIT UNTIL HE GETS
TIRED OF THE GAME!



VERA, WILL YOU
MARRY ME,
DARLING?

ARE YOU SURE
MR. J.B. FULL-
RIGHT WILL
APPROVE?



WHAT'S HE GOT TO DO WITH
IT? HE ONLY EMPLOYS ME!
HE DOESN'T TELL ME WHOM
TO MARRY!

RICH MEN
HAVE BEEN KNOWN
TO DICTATE EVERY-
THING TO THEIR
SONS!



ARE YOU JOKING? NO...I CAN
SEE YOU'RE NOT! WHERE ON
EARTH DID YOU GET THE IDEA I
WAS J.B. FULLRIGHT'S SON?

BILL, YOU DON'T NEED TO
PRETEND ANY FURTHER!
THE GIRLS AT THE STORE
TOLO ME!



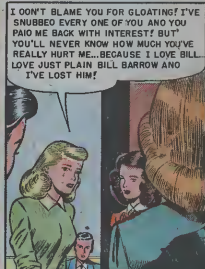
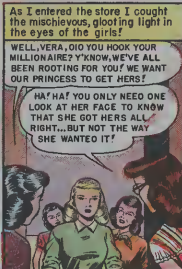
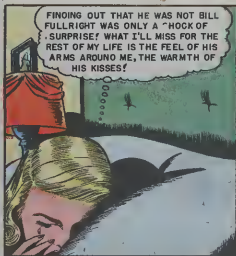
SO THAT'S WHY YOU SUDDENLY
STOPPED TREATING ME AS IF I
WERE POISON! HA! HA! THOSE
GIRLS REALLY PUT ONE OVER
ON YOU... AND THEY LET ME
SEE YOU FOR WHAT YOU REALLY
ARE... A FORTUNE HUNTING
PHONEY!

NO! NO! THEY
COULDN'T HAVE DONE
THIS TO ME! IT'S
TOO HORRIBLE!





I groped my way homeward, my emotions a confused jumble! And suddenly I realized that, strangely enough, the knowledge that Bill was not a rich man's son affected me less than the fact that I had lost him!



From the haven of Bill's arms I looked at the stock-jowed girls and knew that I bore even them no ill will!



PASSPORT TO HAPPINESS

DO YOU, PIERRE
LUDWIG, TAKE THIS
WOMAN...

THIS IS MY WEDDING DAY... THE MAN I LOVE
STANDS BY MY SIDE... AND I SEE HIM THROUGH
EYES SEARED WITH HEARTBREAK! FOR TO
PIERRE, OUR MARRIAGE MEANS ONLY ONE
THING... A PASSPORT MARKED "CITIZEN,
USA!"

STRANGE... JUST ONE MONTH AGO I THOUGHT ALL MY
DREAMS HAD COME TRUE! THEN I WAS STILL MOUSY
LITTLE MARY LAWTON WITH A DULL JOB IN A DULL TOWN...
'UNTIL...

MISS LAWTON!
YOU'RE WANTED
ON THE PHONE!
LONG
DISTANCE!

BUT I HAVE TO FINISH
THIS AD... LONG
DISTANCE? FOR
ME? WHAT... I'LL
BE THERE RIGHT
AWAY, MRS.
BORDEN!

MISS LAWTON?
THIS IS THE "DIAL
A DREAM" SHOW!
YOU'VE BEEN PICKED
TO GUESS OUR
MYSTERY AUTHOR...
HIS INITIALS ARE
L.C., AND HE...

COULD IT BE
LEWIS CARROLL?
OH... OH, MY
GOODNESS! I'VE
WON!

LEWIS CARROLL WAS RIGHT, IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE! FOR HIS ALICE NEVER FOUND HER WONDERLAND MORE QUICKLY THAN I DID!

THINK OF IT! TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS, A WHOLE NEW WARDROBE AND A TRIP TO CUBA BESIDES! BUT WHAT ABOUT YOUR JOB, MISS LAWTON?

I'M QUITTING TOMORROW! I'M AN ORPHAN AND I'VE ALWAYS WORKED-- NEVER HAD FUN OR ROMANCE! BUT NOW'S MY CHANCE--AND I'M TAKING IT!

And I HAD FUN--GLORIOUS FUN! NEW GOWNS--A COMPLETE BEAUTY TREATMENT--I BARELY RECOGNIZED MY SMART, GLAMOROUS REFLECTION!

MA'NSELLE, YOUR TASTE, EET IS EXQUISITE!

IS IT? I NEVER CHOSE CLOTHES I LIKED BEFORE, JUST THOSE I COULD AFFORD! I... I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S ME!

JUST THINK! TOMORROW, I'LL BE ON THE OCEAN--ON MY WAY TO CUBA! ME, MARY LAWTON, WHO'S NEVER BEEN FIFTY MILES FROM HOME BEFORE!

But WHEN I REACHED THE SHIP THERE WAS MORE THAN HOMESICKNESS TO FRIGHTEEN ME...

DON'T TELL ME THEY PICKED YOU OUT OF THE CITY DIRECTORY!

MUST HAVE USED TWO-WAY TELEVISION!

ARE YOU ENGAGED? DO YOU WANT TO GET IN THE MOVIES?

THAT'S ENOUGH, MEN! THE YOUNG LADY'S TIRED--HOPE YOU DON'T MIND, MISS LAWTON, BUT YOU SEEMED...

I SEEMED SCARED TO DEATH, AND I WAS! THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR...?

HOW ABOUT SOME LEG ART?

CAPTAIN...CAPTAIN DICK WELLS! I WAS ASKED BY THE RADIO PEOPLE TO LOOK OUT FOR YOU! MAY I SHOW YOU OVER THE SHIP?

OH, YES! THANK YOU!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME A MAN HAS EVEN NOTICED ME! OH, THIS IS WONDERLAND!

I'D ALWAYS THOUGHT SHIP CAPTAINS WERE GRIM AND STERN... BUT HE WAS NEITHER! HE MADE THE TRIP PERFECT... ONLY MY DREAMS WERE STILL OF CUBA--AND THE FUTURE!

WE DOCK AT HAVANA TOMORROW MORNING, MARY!

I CAN HARDLY WAIT, CAPTAIN WELLS!

WE MADE PORT ON A DAY DESIGNED FOR DREAMS... CLEAR, TROPICAL, EXOTIC!

I'D LIKE TO SHOW YOU AROUND HAVANA, MARY, BUT I'VE BUSINESS TO CLEAR AWAY FIRST... CAN YOU WAIT?

OF COURSE... LOOK THERE'S A MAN PAINTING ON THE WHARF! I'LL WATCH HIM TILL YOU'RE THROUGH... WISH I'D BROUGHT MY OWN PAINTS ALONG!



SAT MOTIONLESS, WATCHING THE INTENT, HANDSOME FACE BEHIND THE CANVAS... SAT THERE IN REASONLESS, COMPLETE CONTENTMENT!

SORRY I TOOK SO LONG, MARY, BUT... GREAT GUNS! HAVE YOU LET ONE OF THESE PAN-HANDLERS SELL YOU A QUICK PORTRAIT?

DON'T! HE'S AN ARTIST... A REAL ARTIST, CAPTAIN WELLS! I'M NO GREAT PAINTER, BUT I CAN RECOGNIZE ONE!



THANK YOU... YOU ARE MOST GRACIOUS, MISS! I... I AM PIERRE LUDWIG, ONCE OF AUSTRIA, NOW... AT LARGE! AND...?

AND I AM MARY LAWTON... ONCE OF PLAINSVILLE, OHIO, AND NOW OF... OF WONDERLAND, I THINK!



I... I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY WATCHING! BUT THAT'S GOOD... MORE THAN GOOD! THE DESIGN QUALITY...

THIS IS JUST TO PASS THE TIME, MISS! I PAINT PORTRAITS... WATER COLORS! THREE PESOS FOR A SKETCH!



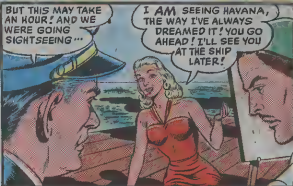
OH, I DIDN'T THINK... YES, I'D LIKE YOU TO DO MY PORTRAIT, IF YOU WON'T MAKE IT JUST A FLATTERING TOURIST SKETCH!

I... I COULD NOT FLATTER YOU, MISS! THIS WILL BE A RARE PLEASURE!



BUT THIS MAY TAKE AN HOUR! AND WE WERE GOING SIGHTSEEING...

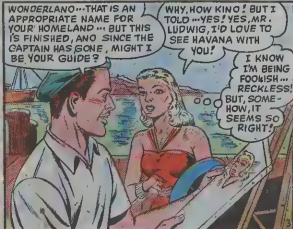
I AM SEEING HAVANA, THE WAY I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED IT! YOU GO AHEAD! I'LL SEE YOU AT THE SHIP LATER!



WONDERLAND... THAT IS AN APPROPRIATE NAME FOR YOUR HOMELAND... BUT THIS IS FINISHED, AND SINCE THE CAPTAIN HAS GONE, MIGHT I BE YOUR GUIDE?

WHY, HOW KIND! BUT I TOLD... YES! YES, MR. LUDWIG, I'D LOVE TO SEE HAVANA WITH YOU!

I KNOW I'M BEING FOOLISH... RECKLESS! BUT, SOMEHOW, IT SEEMS SO RIGHT!



I SAW MORE OF HAVANA THAT DAY THAN CAPTAIN WELLS COULD HAVE SHOWN ME IN A MONTH! IT WAS ALL EXCITING... WONDERFUL... WITH PIERRE!

THIS IS THE PRADO WE WALK ALONG... THAT WALL BOUNDED THE OLD CITY OF HAVANA, BUT YOU MUST BE TIRED... PERKAPS A COOL DRINK?

I'M TOO FASCINATED TO BE TIRED, PIERRE, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A REAL CANTINA... WITH GUITAR MUSIC AND A CHANCE TO TALK!

AT YOUR COMMAND, MARY! ONLY... LET US NOT TALK TOO SERIOUSLY! FOR ME, TOO, THIS IS A DREAM FROM WHICH I FEAR TO WAKEN!

FOR YOU? BUT WHY? AND WHY ARE YOU WASTING YOUR TALENT HERE? IN NEW YORK, YOU'D SOON BE FAMOUS!

BUT I AM A REFUGEE... ONE OF MANY! AND PASSPORTS TO YOUR COUNTRY ARE VERY FEW!

OH, I DIDN'T REALIZE... I'D HEARD THEY WERE HARD TO GET BUT FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU... IT'S JUST NOT FAIR!

LIFE IS NOT FAIR, MARY... EXCEPT WHEN IT BRINGS YOU, LIKE THE COOL, FRESH HILL WIND... I'M SAYING TOO MUCH! IT IS BEST WE DANCE!

I... I'VE NEVER DONE THE RUMBA... WAIT! I'LL PUT ON THE SPANISH COSTUME WE BOUGHT! THAT SHOULD INSPIRE ME! I'LL BE BACK IN A MINUTE!

WHEN I RETURNED PIERRE AND I GLIDED ONTO THE DANCE FLOOR...

AND I THOUGHT YOU COULD NOT BE MORE BEAUTIFUL! YOU ARE NOT COOL NOW... YOU ARE A TORNADO IN MY HEART! I... I LOVE YOU, MARY!

PIERRE... DARLING! IT'S CRAZY... FANTASTIC... BUT I LOVE YOU... TOO! NOW, AND FOR ALWAYS!

A LIFETIME OF LONELINESS VANISHED IN THAT TROPICAL DAWN... THE DAWN OF MY NEW, WONDERFUL LIFE WITH PIERRE!

MARY, MY DARLING, I HAVE SO LITTLE TO OFFER YOU... ONLY MY HEART... AND MY DREAMS! WILL YOU TAKE THEM... FOREVER?

WHAT MORE COULD I EVER WANT? OH, PIERRE, WE COULD MARRY ON SHIPBOARD AND THEN YOU'LL BE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, AND WE'LL GO TO NEW YORK!

MARY! I WAS ABOUT TO ASK FOR A POLICE SEARCH... WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

OF COURSE! I'M SORRY YOU WERE WORRIED, BUT CAN YOU MARRY US... ON THE SHIP... WHEN WE SAIL TOMORROW? I KNOW IT'S SUDDEN, BUT...

THIS IS NEITHER THE TIME NOR PLACE FOR SUCH A REQUEST! WE'LL DISCUSS IT LATER... PRIVATELY! GOOD NIGHT, MISS LAWTON!

IT IS ALMOST MORNING, MARY... YOU MUST REST! I WILL SEE YOU AT NOON... AND NOW... DREAM SWEETLY, MY DARLING!

MY DREAMS WERE VERY SWEET BUT HOW RUDELY CAPTAIN WELLS SHATTERED THEM WHEN I ENTERED HIS OFFICE THAT MORNING!

I KNOW IT'S SUDDEN, BUT IF I'M SURE... YOU JUST CAN'T REFUSE TO MARRY US!

I'VE THE RIGHT TO PROTECT MY PASSENGERS! MARY, THIS IS AN OLD, UGLY TRICK! LUOWIG ONLY WANTS ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES... THEN HE'LL DIVORCE YOU IN A FLASH!

I... I CAN'T THINK STRAIGHT NOW! I... I'LL TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT LATER!

I'M SORRY, MY DEAR... TRULY! BUT YOU'RE ONLY ONE OF THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT VICTIMS OF THIS GAME! IF ONLY YOU'D STAYED WITH ME...

REALITY... THE UGLY, GRIM REALITY OF MY UNWANTED CHILDHOOD... HAD INVADDED WONDERLAND AT LAST! REALITY... AND HEARTBREAK!

HOW COULD HE PRETEND AND WHY DO I BELIEVE IT SO EAGERLY? WHAT A FOOL HE MUST THINK ME... WHAT A FOOL I AM! OH, PIERRE...

BUT HE IS FINE... REALLY! HOW CAN I JUDGE WHAT THAT PASSPORT MEANS TO HIM... AND HIS ART? OH, IT'S NO USE... I LOVE HIM... I ALWAYS WILL!

LOVE... REAL LOVE... IS A POWERFUL THING! MORE IMPORTANT THAN PRIDE... OR HAPPINESS! CAREFULLY I MASKED THE TRAGEDY IN MY FACE... AND MY HEART...

PIERRE'S DREAMS WILL STILL COME TRUE WITH OUR MARRIAGE! AFTER ALL, A BROKEN HEART CAN'T BE BROKEN MORE THAN ONCE!

I'M READY TO TALK NOW AND I STILL WANT THE MARRIAGE! EVEN THOUGH I KNOW YOU'RE RIGHT!

VERY WELL, MARY! I'VE DONE MY BEST! THE CEREMONY WILL BE AT SIX... YOU CAN MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE STEWARD!

A BROKEN HEART CAN'T KEEP ON BREAKING, I'D THOUGHT! BUT THAT WAS BEFORE I SAW PIERRE'S EAGER, HANDSOME FACE AGAIN!

I RAN ALL THE WAY, DARLING! I'VE A SURPRISE FOR YOU... TWO SURPRISES! YOU... YOU DO FEEL THE SAME, MARY?



YES... YES, PIERRE! THE WEDDING WILL BE AT SIX... AND NOW I'VE A LOT TO DO! WE'LL TALK AFTER THE CEREMONY... GOOD-BYE!

ONLY A FEW HOURS MORE, I THOUGHT! THEN WE'LL BE MARRIED, AND THIS TRAGIC PRETENSE WILL BE OVER!

MAY I HELP YOU DRESS, MISS? AND THIS PACKAGE IS FOR YOU... FROM THE GROOM! OH, HE'S SO HANDSOME!

COME IN, PLEASE! AND LET'S NOT TALK! IT'S A... A HEADACHE!



OH, MISS, ISN'T HE THOUGHTFUL? YOU'LL BE THE LOVELIEST BRIDE EVER! I JUST KNOW YOU TWO WILL BE THE HAPPIEST COUPLE!

IT... HE SAYS IT WAS HIS MOTHER'S! ALL HE HAS LEFT OF HER THINGS! I... I WISH HE HADN'T SENT IT!

HOW COULD HE? AND SHE THINKS WE'LL BE HAPPY! WHEN I'LL NEVER KNOW REAL HAPPINESS AGAIN!



THIS BORROWED FINERY WAS APPROPRIATE, IN A WAY!

I NOW PROUNOUNCE YOU MAN AND WIFE!

NO, PIERRE, PLEASE! I KNOW WHY YOU'VE MARRIED ME... IT'S ALL RIGHT... ONLY, DON'T KISS ME! DON'T PRETEND ANY LONGER!

DARLING... WHAT...



PLEASE LET ME GO... CAPTAIN WELLS TOLD ME THE WHOLE THING! YOU HAVE YOUR PASSPORT NOW! YOU'RE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, PIERRE... AND THAT'S THAT!

YOU BELIEVED THIS OF ME? AND STILL MARRIED ME? MY DARLING... MY WONDERFUL UNBELIEVABLE DARLING! BUT MARY, THAT WAS THE SURPRISE!



SURPRISE? THAT YOU MARRIED ME... MADE LOVE TO ME... ONLY TO BE ADMITTED TO AMERICA? IT'S A STRANGE WEDDING PRESENT, PIERRE!

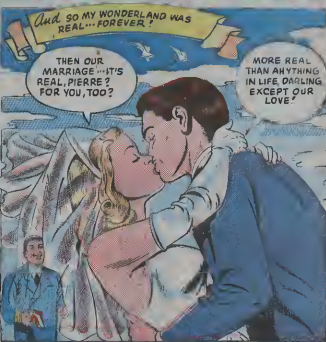
NO, DARLING! LISTEN! MY PASSPORT CAME THROUGH THIS MORNING! AND WITH IT AN OFFER TO TEACH ART AT A NEW YORK COLLEGE!



And so my wonderland was real... forever!

THEN OUR MARRIAGE... IT'S REAL, PIERRE? FOR YOU, TOO?

MORE REAL THAN ANYTHING IN LIFE, DARLING EXCEPT OUR LOVE!



A Whim of fate transported me violently from the calm surroundings of college life into the center of a strange drama! My life became a turmoil of fierce passions...of intrigue, jealousy, shameless deception and unrelenting hate! But running through it all is the story of my love...a love so great it defied the overwhelming odds that almost smothered it!

Dangerous Love

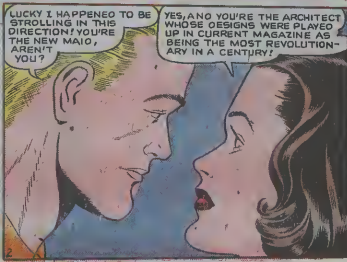




The next day, my employer made elaborate plans for the visit of her favorite nephew, Ted Cutler, brilliant young architect...



That evening I tried out the beach Miss Marcia had mentioned and ran smack into Old Man Wolf!



For some reason, Ted Cutler seemed surprised that I knew about his work and especially pleased that I was interested! We talked for hours and he told me many things about his plans for the future...

SO YOU SEE, THE PUBLIC MAY NOT TAKE TO IT RIGHT AWAY

BUT I FEEL IT'S SUPERIOR TO THE OLD WAY!

OF COURSE IT IS, MR. CUTLER! ANY SENSIBLE BUILDER WOULD LIKE IT!

VALE DARLING, I WANT YOU TO MARRY ME!

OH, TED, THE ODDS ARE AGAINST US... BUT MAYBE IT CAN WORK OUT!

Unbelievably it began to happen! There were other meetings on the beach and Ted fell for me! At first I thought the situation presented hopeless problems... but in my own blind love for him, I began to think, "why not? it happens in the movies"...

But I was in for a first class jolt!

I'M TOO OLD TO LOOK PRETTY, BUT MAKE ME LOOK MY BEST! MR. CUTLER'S FIANCEE IS FLYING DOWN FOR A BRIEF VISIT!

Thus it was one Arline Daughtry arrived... and even in my jealousy I had to admit that she was ravishing! But instinct told me that beneath that smooth exterior was a streak as cold as flint!

I'M POSITIVELY STARVED FOR EXCITEMENT! CAN'T WE HAVE DINNER AT THE CASINO ROYAL AND CATCH UP ON OUR DANCING?

HUH? OH! ER... YES! SURE!

Later I found out Ted was not stringing me along after all! He was trying to straighten out his problem as quickly as possible!

THE MAID! YOU CAN'T MEAN IT!

BUT I DO, ARLINE! SHE'S SWEET AND SENSIBLE AND WONDERFUL! AND THERE'S NO USE PRETENDING ABOUT US ANY LONGER! YOU AND I HAVEN'T CLICKED SINCE THE DAY I

ASKED YOU TO MARRY ME!

WELL UNLUCKY AT LOVE, MAYBE LUCKY AT ROULETTE! WILL MY EXFIANCE STAKE HIS JILTED FIANCEE TO A FEW BETS AT THE TABLE?

YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED THE LAST TIME YOU PLAYED!

BUT, ARLINE, YOU IF YOU WON'T LEAVE WHEN THAT WAS GONE! MORE, I'LL FINANCE MYSELF!

A JEN-YOO-WINE DIAMOND RING, LADIES, AND GENTLEMEN! MY ENGAGEMENT RING! I HAVE NO USE FOR IT NOW, SO IT GOES TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER!



HOW COULD YOU, ARLINE?

HERE YOU ARE, MISS DAGTRY! AND YOU CAN REDEEM THE RING ANY TIME YOU WISH!

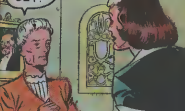


I'LL LEAVE THE CONVERTIBLE FOR YOU! I'M CATCHING A CAB HOME... NOW!

Meanwhile, I was summoned to Miss Marcia's room and she gave me the works!

YOU'RE A SWEET CHIL, VALE... AND SENSIBLE ENOUGH TO KNOW YOUR MARRIAGE TO MY NEPHEW COULDN'T POSSIBLY WORK OUT!

BUT TED SAYS IT CAN! AND I LOVE HIM SO VERY MUCH!



She cleverly counted on that very love to make me surrender.

IT WOULD RAISE A FRIGHTFUL SCANDAL AND TED'S SPIRIT WOULD BE BROKEN BY IT! IN TIME HE WOULD EVEN LEARN TO HATE YOU!

PLEASE DON'T SAY ANY MORE... I'LL LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!

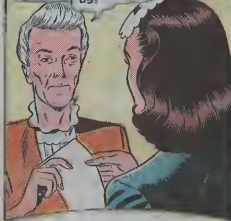


NO, DEAR! THE REAL TEST OF YOUR LOVE MUST BE EVEN MORE CRUEL! IF YOU LEFT NOW TED WOULD ONLY FOLLOW! YOU MUST MAKE HIM THINK YOU DON'T LOVE HIM!

NO! NO! ANYTHING BUT THAT!



HERE'S A TOKEN OF MY GRATITUDE FOR THE SACRIFICE YOU ARE MAKING! IT WILL HELP TIDE YOU OVER WHEN YOU LEAVE US!



AND HERE'S A TOKEN OF MY DISGUST FOR YOUR OFFER! I'LL DO WHAT YOU ASK FOR TED'S SAKE, BUT NOT FOR ONE CENT OF YOUR MONEY!

WHAT SPUNK! TOO BAD SHE DOESN'T HAVE SOCIAL STANDING!



The next morning I overheard a conversation that suggested more trouble!

I CAME TO COLLECT FOR THE I.O.U.'S, MISS DAUGHTRY! YOU SAID YOU'D ORAW A DRAFT ON YOUR FATHER'S BANK!

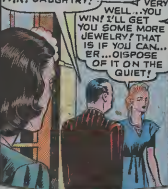
BUT I SIMPLY CAN'T! FATHER HAS THREATENED TO CUT ME OFF WITHOUT A PENNY IF I CONTINUE TO GAMBLE! AND HE MEANS IT!



Curiosity compelled me to look in!

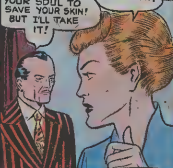
OF COURSE IF YOU'D RATHER HAVE ME CABLE MR. DAUGHTRY!

WELL... YOU WIN! I'LL GET YOU SOME MORE JEWELRY! THAT IS IF YOU CAN... ER... DISPOSE OF IT ON THE QUIET!



SOMETHING HOT, EH? YOU SOCIETY DAMES ARE ALL ALIKE! GET INTO A LITTLE TROUBLE AND YOU SELL YOUR SOUL TO SAVE YOUR SKIN! BUT I'LL TAKE IT!

COME BACK IN TWO HOURS! NOW LEAVE QUICKLY, THROUGH THE SIDE ENTRANCE... THIS WAY!



Trapped at my listening post, I pretended to be arranging flowers when the stranger came through!

AH! A MAID WITH BIG EARS! WELL, NEVER MIND... YOU'RE PRETTY ENOUGH TO DESERVE A BETTER JOB THAN WORKING IN THIS MAUSOLEUM! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE A FRIENDLY, HANDSOME BOSS FOR A CHANGE?

YOU LOOK TOO HUNGRY TO SUIT ME, BROTHER!

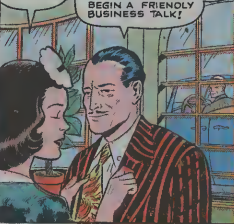


Just then I noticed Ted driving into the side entrance... here was a chance to make him hate me! I timed my actions perfectly...

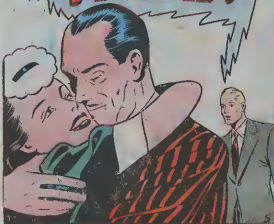


WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME, BIG BOY?

SO! YOU REALLY WANT A JOB WITH ME! WELL, YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO BEGIN A FRIENDLY BUSINESS TALK!



VALE!



After my revolting deception I felt ill enough for bed! But I had to help Miss Marcia dress for an engagement...

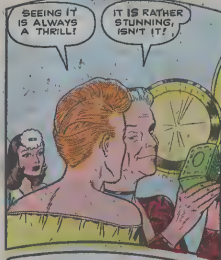
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOUR CORGEOUS DIAMOND IN ACES! WHY DON'T YOU ORAG IT CUT FOR ME, DARLING?

I'M REALLY IN A TERRIBLE RUSH... BUT I'LL GIVE YOU ONE FEEK!



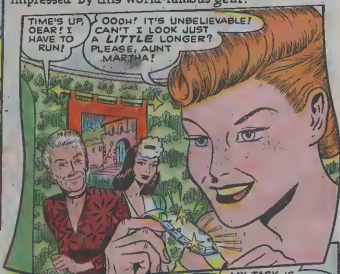
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Even I, who usually care so little for ornaments, was impressed by this world-famous gem!



SEEING IT IS ALWAYS A THRILL!

IT IS RATHER STUNNING, ISN'T IT?



TIME'S UP, DEAR! I HAVE TO RUN!

OOOH! IT'S UNBELIEVABLE! CAN'T I LOOK JUST A LITTLE LONGER? PLEASE, AUNT MARTHA!

WELL...THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU CAN'T PUT IT AWAY YOURSELF! JUST BE SURE THE SAFE IS SECURELY LOCKED!

THANKS, DARLING!



I followed Miss Marcia into the hall and stopped her at the head of the stairs!

MISS VAN COULTER!

YES, VALE?



MY TASK IS ACCOMPLISHED! MR. CUTLER WILL NOT ONLY FORGET ME...I'VE MADE HIM OESPISE ME! MAY I PACK UP NOW?

BLESS YOU, CHILD! I KNOW IT'S ASKING A LOT, BUT WAIT A COUPLE OF DAYS TO MAKE YOUR EXIT SEEM LESS PLANNED! THEN YOU CAN SLIP AWAY!

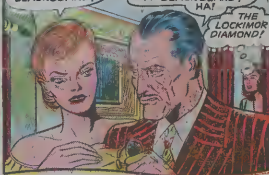


Later, by an odd coincidence I witnessed the return of the stranger and Miss Daughtry's evil deal with him!

NOW GET OUT QUICK, YOU BLACKGUARD!

YOU'RE CALLING ME A BLACKGUARD!

HA! THE LOCKMOR DIAMOND!



Although I didn't know it at the time, Ted had locked himself in his room and was brooding before the window at the very moment the stranger left!



IT'S THAT GREASY LITTLE PROPRIETOR VISITING VALE AGAIN! HE CERTAINLY SEEMS IN A HURRY TO GET AWAY!

Two evenings later, Miss Marcia prepared to wear the lokimor diamond! Discovery of its theft threw the entire household in a turmoil!

IF THIS IS A JOKE, ARLINE, IT'S A VERY POOR ONE!

SO THAT'S WHAT YOUR MAID WAS DOING WHILE I ANSWERED THE TELEPHONE!

SHE PASSED THROUGH THE ROOM JUST AS I CLOSED THE LID OF THE CASE AND TURNED TO THE PHONE! SAID SHE HAD RETURNED FOR YOUR LOZNETTE!

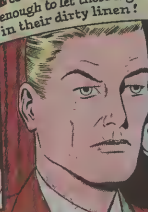
WHY, OF ALL THE LOW-COWN GALL!



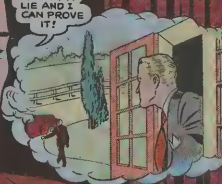
THIS IS HARD TO BELIEVE, VALE!

MISS DAUGHTRY LIES!

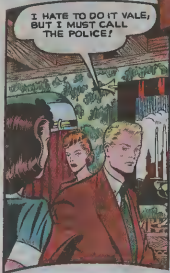
I could have exposed Arline easily! But I was just angry enough to let these high socialites continue to flounder in their dirty linen!



IT ISN'T A LIE AND I CAN PROVE IT!



I HATE TO DO IT VALE, BUT I MUST CALL THE POLICE!



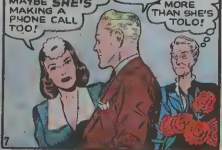
...YES IT WAS STOLEN! AND I WANT YOU TO SHAKE DOWN THE CASINO ROYAL UNTIL IT'S FOUND! I HAVE GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE THE PROPRIETOR IS IN CAHOOTS WITH VA...WITH MY AUNT'S MAID!



In the general tension I was the only one who noticed Arline slip from the room and I thought I knew where she was going!

WHY DON'T YOU FOLLOW YOUR PRECIOUS FIANCE? MAYBE SHE'S MAKING A PHONE CALL TOO!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? THE GIRL KNOWS MORE THAN SHE'S TOLO!





SWEET SURRENDER

THE buzzer on my desk sounded. I looked and saw the little light with the Number Two on it glowing. My heart began to pound until I thought it would jump into my throat and stick there. My hands trembled as I found my notebook and pencil and I stumbled as I got up from my desk.

Little fool, I told myself furiously, stop behaving like a bobbysoxer. Ken Dearing is vice president of a big corporation and you're just a little stenographer. A silly little stenographer with romantic dreams and absolutely no sense. Get hold of yourself.

But my pounding heart kept on thudding its refrain. *How long? How long? How long?*

How long, oh, empty heart, can I go on holding this job at Reverly Products, seeing Ken Dearing every day, listening to his dear, thrilling voice as I take his dictation? How long before something snaps and I either throw myself wildly, recklessly, into his surprised arms, or run away and never come back? For Ken doesn't even know I exist. He sits in his fine office and pushes a buzzer. Sometimes it rings on my desk, sometimes on Carol's. One of us goes in, takes dictation for an hour or so and goes out again. Just that, and no more. He has never said a personal word in all the months I've been here.

I was almost to the door when Carol spoke. Her sharp, bitter voice lashed at me as I passed her desk. "Watch your step, Gail," she spat. "I've warned you. I'm making time with Ken Dearing and I'll not have any doll-faced goody-girl spoiling things. You're too sweet to be good."

I whirled, my face flaming. "Carol Boggs," I flared, "of all the nasty, hateful insinuations. Maybe my face does show my feelings, but I'm not ashamed of them. I think Mr. Dearing is a fine, wonderful man and anything I can do for him, I'll do willingly and gladly. I've never asked for attention nor expected any."

"You're too dumb," Carol sneered. "Well, baby, I ask for it. When I take dictation, he

gets a look at some knees that aren't bad, if I do say it myself. And I've given him to understand that I'm not at all averse to taking in a night club or a theatre, or going to dinner with the boss. Maybe he hasn't gotten around to inviting me, yet, but he's gotten the idea. Just keep your nose out."

Cold with anger and shame and disgust I whirled and pushed on into Ken Dearing's office. He was behind his desk, bending over a new inter-office loudspeaker unit, frowning as he tested a knob. He looked up and smiled, his fine, handsome face warming. "Hello, Miss Wendell. Will you take a letter, please?"

Fighting down the trembling in my hands, I sat quietly at the side, waiting. Ken locked his hands behind his head and stared up at the ceiling. After a moment he began, "My very dearest Gail," he said briskly. "Since I can't seem to unlock my lips and say what I want to, face to face, I'll fall back on a letter like this and hope you will understand. I'm afraid, my dear, that I've fallen completely in love with you and there's no known cure except marriage. Will you marry me..."

My flying fingers had gotten that far with the shorthand before my numbed brain caught up. I gasped. Pencil and notebook flew out of my hands. I jumped up, staring. "You... you..."

"Yes, dearest," Ken said gently, and then I was in his arms. "I've wanted to say this for so long but I was scared, Gail. Isn't that silly? I couldn't believe you even knew I existed except as a boss who dictated stuffy letters every day."

"Oh, no," I cried. "I've waited so long." "Then wait a minute longer," Ken said, "and take one more very important letter. To the Maxon Intercom Phone Company. Gentlemen, your new sensitive microphone pickup is marvelous. Today it picked up the conversation of two girls in my outer office, quite by accident, but so clearly that I can safely say it has changed my whole life. Yours most gratefully—Ken Dearing."

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TRAPPED by a KISS



IT WAS A MEANINGLESS THING...THE GOOD-NIGHT KISS! I DID NOT KNOW THAT IT WAS TO MAKE ME A TARGET FOR TORMENT...TRAP ME INTO SECRECY AND DECEPTION...BRING NEAR-DISASTER TO THE MAN I LATER LOVED!

TWO MEN CAME INTO MY LIFE WHEN I BECAME A TEACHER IN ROCKY POINT, IN THE HILLS OF TENNESSEE! ONE WAS CARL BURTON...

GEE, I WAS LUCKY TO FIND A GIRL LIKE YOU IN THIS LITTLE TOWN, JANE... SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS THE SAME LANGUAGE!

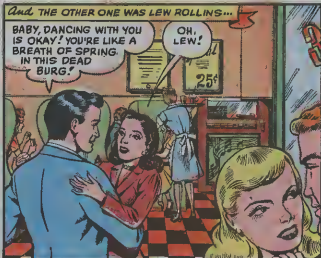
I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN, CARL...I FEEL THE SAME WAY! YOU'VE MEANT A LOT TO ME!



And THE OTHER ONE WAS LEW ROLLINS...

BABY, DANCING WITH YOU IS OKAY! YOU'RE LIKE A BREATH OF SPRING IN THIS DEAD BURG!

OH, LEW!



WE WERE ALL IMPORTS TO THIS SLEEPY MOUNTAIN TOWN! THE BUILDING OF THE ROCKY POINT DAM HAD BROUGHT LEW AND CARL THERE! CARL WAS AN ENGINEER AND LEW WAS FOREMAN OF THE CONSTRUCTION CREW! THERE WAS SOMETHING RATHER OVER-POWERING ABOUT LEW!

YOU'RE THE FIRST GIRL I EVER WENT FOR... AND I GO FOR YOU IN A GREAT BIG WAY!

I LIKE YOU TOO, LEW! BUT NOW YOU'D BETTER TAKE ME HOME... IT'S PAST MIDNIGHT!



HOME TO ME THEN WAS A PRIVATE HOUSE WHERE I PAID FOR ROOM AND BOARD!

HERE YOU ARE! I SUPPOSE YOU'RE GOING TO TELL ME TO SCRAM, BUT I DON'T WANT TO!

YOU MUST! REMEMBER, I HAVE TO TEACH TOMORROW!



OKAY, I'LL GO... IF YOU'LL GIVE ME A BIG, GOOD-NIGHT KISS!

BUT...

I MIGHT HAVE PROTESTED BUT I DIDN'T! LEW DREW ME TO HIM AND KISSED ME ROUGHLY... HARSHLY! INSTEAD OF BEING THRILLED, I FELT REVOLTED... TURNED COLD BY A KISS THAT WAS TO CAUSE ME HEARTBREAK...



FOR AT THAT MOMENT, LEW TOOK POSSESSION OF ME... CLAIMED A PASSIONATE, JEALOUS HOLD ON MY LIFE... AND I WAS TO BE TRAPPED BY THAT KISS WHICH TO ME MEANT NOTHING!

YOU'RE MY GIRL NOW! AND IF ANYBODY TRIES TO TAKE YOU AWAY FROM ME, HE'LL BE SORRY!

I... I MUST GO IN, LEW! GOOD NIGHT!



I DIDN'T TAKE THE THREAT SERIOUSLY, BUT I FELT A SUDDEN WARINESS OF LEW, ALMOST FEAR...

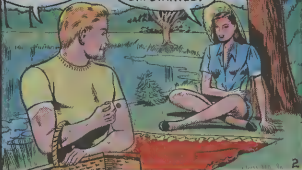
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT SUDDENLY I FEEL ALMOST AFRAID OF HIM! HE WAS SO INTENSE... ACTED DESPERATE!



AFTER THAT, I SAW LESS OF LEW AND MORE OF CARL! I CAME TO REALIZE HOW SMART AND SENSITIVE AND REALLY FINE HE WAS! WE SHARED COMMON INTERESTS AND ENJOYED COMMON PLEASURES!

HOW'S THIS FOR A PICNIC SPOT?

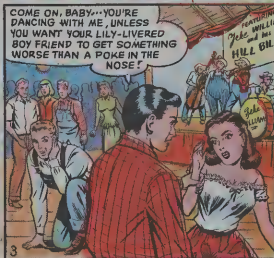
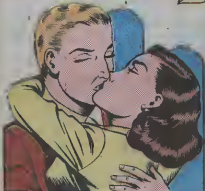
PERFECT! SO LET'S EAT... I'M STARVED!



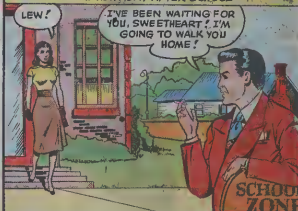
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I SEALED THE PROMISE WITH A KISS... A PROMISE THAT I WAS TO KEEP FOREVER, BUT WHICH HE WAS TO THINK WAS BROKEN!



I KNEW LEW THEN FOR WHAT HE WAS...A FIERCE AND POWERFUL BRUTE, WITH A VIOLENT, FIERY NATURE! I FEARED FOR WHAT HE MIGHT DO, ESPECIALLY WHEN HE MET ME THE NEXT DAY AFTER SCHOOL...



LEW!

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, SWEETHEART! I'M GOING TO WALK YOU HOME!

I SAID YOU WERE MY GIRL AND I MEAN IT! YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH ME FROM NOW ON, UNDERSTAND? AND STAY AWAY FROM BURTON, UNLESS YOU WANT HIM TO MEET WITH AN ACCIDENT! THAT'D BE EASY AROUND THE CAM!



NO! YOU WOULDN'T!

HARDWAY

BUT SOMEHOW I FELT HE WOULD...THAT HE WOULD STOP AT NOTHING TO GAIN HIS OWN SELFISH ENDS...AND TERROR STRUCK AT MY HEART! THAT EVENING CARL CALLED TO ASK ME TO DINNER!

I'M SORRY, CARL, BUT I CAN'T SEE YOU! I...I HAVE A SPLITTING HEADACHE!



LEW SHOWED UP UNEXPECTEDLY...A FEW MINUTES LATER...

PUT ON YOUR BONNET, BABY! WE'RE GOING PLACES AND I WON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER!

B-BUT... ALL RIGHT! I'LL GET READY!



I WAS AFRAID NOT TO GO, AND THEN THE THING I DREADED MOST HAPPENED! WE WENT TO A ROADSIDE TAVERN FOR DINNER...AND THERE WAS CARL!

I'M GLAD THERE'S ONE PLACE AROUND THIS HICK TOWN WHERE WE CAN HAVE A GOOD DINNER AND DANCE!



CARL!

WELL, ROLLINS, IT LOOKS AS IF YOUR STRONG ARM METHODS WERE SUCCESSFUL! TREAT 'EM ROUGH AND MAKE 'EM LIKE IT...AND NEVER BELIEVE A WORD THEY SAY!

I KNOW WHAT HE MUST THINK! IF ONLY I CARED TO EXPLAIN!



I WATCHED CARL LEAVE, HURT AND ANGRY...THE MAN I HAD PROMISED TO LOVE FOREVER! AND NOW HE THOUGHT I WAS A TWO-TIMER AND A CHEAT!

OH, CARL, CARL, I DO LOVE YOU...LOVE YOU SO MUCH THAT I FEAR FOR YOU! I'M BEING FORCED INTO THIS... IF ONLY I COULD TELL YOU SO!

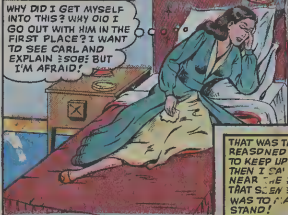
IF YOU'VE GOT ANY IDEAS ABOUT THAT GUY, BABY, FORGET 'EM, OR IT WON'T BE HEALTHY FOR HIM! COME ON, LET'S DANCE!



DINE AND DANCE

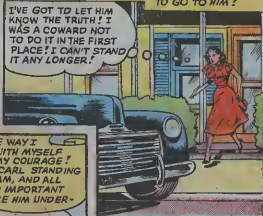
SO THERE I WAS ...TRAPPED...FRIGHTENED INTO SILENCE BY A MAN I'D LEARNED TO LOATHE! ALONE IN MY ROOM...

WHY DID I GET MYSELF INTO THIS? WHY DID I GO OUT WITH HIM IN THE FIRST PLACE? I WANT TO SEE CARL AND EXPLAIN! SOB! BUT I'M AFRAID!



FOR DAYS, I SUFFERED HEARTBREAK! I NEITHER SAW NOR HEARD FROM CARL AND AT LAST THE TORMENT BECAME TOO GREAT AND I DETERMINED TO GO TO HIM!

I'VE GOT TO LET HIM KNOW THE TRUTH! I WAS A COWARD NOT TO DO IT IN THE FIRST PLACE! I CAN'T STAND IT ANY LONGER!



THAT WAS THE WAY I REASONED WITH MYSELF TO KEEP UP MY COURAGE! THEN I SAW CARL STANDING NEAR THE JAM, AND ALL THAT SEEMED IMPORTANT WAS TO MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND!

CARL, YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME AND BELIEVE ME! I DIDN'T WANT TO DECEIVE YOU... DIDN'T WANT TO GO OUT WITH LEW!

JANE!



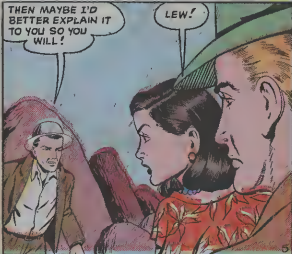
BUT I HAD TO! HE THREATENED TO HARM YOU IF I DIDN'T... OR IF I SAW YOU AGAIN! I'VE BEEN AFRAID, BUT FINALLY...

CALM YOURSELF, JANE! I DON'T UNDERSTAND!



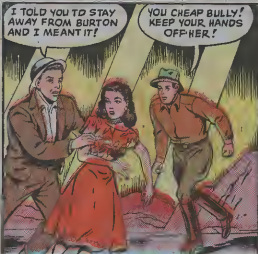
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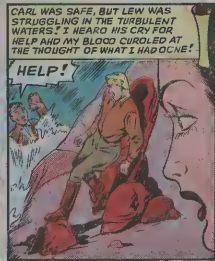
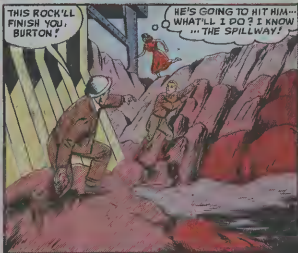
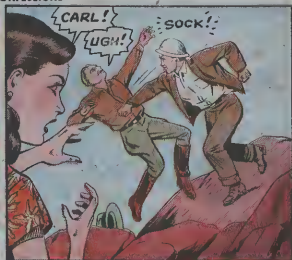
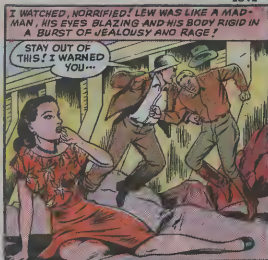
LEW!



I TOLD YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM BURTON AND I MEANT IT!

YOU CHEAP BULLY! KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF HER!

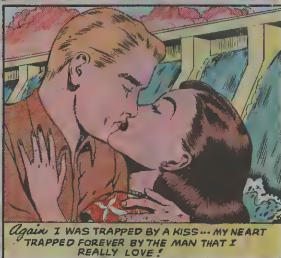
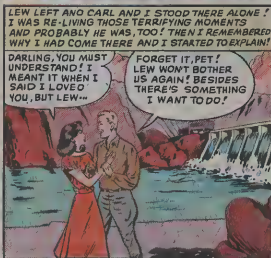
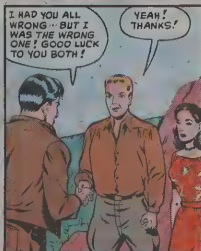
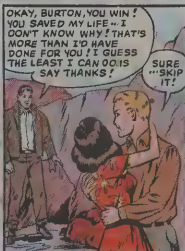




LOVE CONFESSIONS



It SEEMED LIKE AN ETERNITY THAT I WATCHED THEM ... GRIPPED WITH FEAR AND ANGUISH! AND THEN CARL WAS BRINGING LEW NEARER TO SHORE AND I KNEW THEY WOULD BOTH BE SAFE!



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